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IN THE DRAWINGS

The attached sheet of drawings includes changes to Figures 13 and 27. This sheet, which includes Figures 13 and 27, replaces the original sheet including Figures 13 and 27.

Attachment: Replacement Sheets (2)

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Favorable reconsideration of this application as presently amended and in light of the following discussion is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-24 are presently active in this case. Claims 6, 7, 12, 18, 19, and 24 were objected to for minor clarification reasons; Figure 27 was objected to as lacking a "Background Art" label; Figure 13 was objected to an including informalities requiring correction; and the Examiner requested Applicants file an Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) with ITU-T G.992.1 and G.992.2 otherwise amending the claims to identify which version of G.992.1 and G.992.2 are used.

Claims 1-24 were otherwise indicated as allowed. Applicants acknowledge with appreciation the indication of allowable subject matter. In light of this indication, Claims 6, 7, 12, 18, 19, and 24 have been amended as indicated along with the clarification that the claimed subject matter is not limited to the combination of the ITU-T recommendations, as supported in the specification at least at page 8, lines 12-14; Figure 27 has been amended to include the label, "Background Art"; Figure 13 has been amended to correct informalities. No new matter is added by the present amendments.

Accordingly, in view of the present amendments, the grounds for objections stated in

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the outstanding Office Action are moot, and Claims 1-24 are believed to be in condition for formal allowance, and an early and favorable reconsideration of this application is therefore requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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